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USDOC FOR 3132 FOR FCS/OIO REGIONAL DIRECTOR PATRICK SANTILLO
BICE FOR OFFICE OF STRATEGIC INVESTIGATIONS

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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: PRE LICENSE CHECK: TELEVISION AND

ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING AUTHORITY

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- 1. Unauthorized disclosure of the information provided below is prohibited by Section 12C of the Export Administration Act.
- 12. At the direction of the Office of Enforcement Analysis (OEA) of the USDOC Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Export Control Officer Philip Ankel (ECO) conducted a pre-license check (PLC) at the Hong Kong Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority, 9/F Revenue Tower, 5 Gloucester Road, Hong Kong (Authority). The items in question are various Juniper firewall products. These items are classified under export control classification number (ECCN) 5D002 and are controlled for national security (NS) reasons.
- 13. The Hong Kong Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority is Hong Kong's broadcasting and entertainment regulatory agency. It grants various licenses and sets various standards in the entertainment and broadcasting sphere. More information about this agency can be found at www.tela.gov.hk.
- 14. On January 20, 2009, ECO and Commercial Assistant Carrie Chan visited the Authority and met with Billy Lam, Information Technology Officer. He provided background on the transaction in question including the underlying contract with intermediate consignee, Datacraft China/Hong Kong in respect of the equipment. Mr. Lam stated that Datacraft is a well-known and longtime IT provider to the Hong Kong government. Mr. Lam stated that the items will be used in the creation of a two tier firewall system at the Authority to allow for remote access by up to 20 employees (although that may be expanded at a later time). Mr. Lam was open and forthcoming with the applicable information concerning the order and the Authority.
- 15. Based on the information noted above, ECO believes that the Authority is a suitable recipient of U.S. origin controlled technology.